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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of June 16, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application. The period for response to the Official Action is set to expire on July 16, 2006 as set forth in the Official Action. The present response is timely filed.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.